(1969 Edition, being Article 9 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Charles County," subtitle "Circuit Court," to follow immediately after Section 23 thereof, to remove a certain obsolete section relating to an assistant court officer and to authorize the appointment of a law clerk for the resident judge of the Circuit Court of Charles County and provide for his compensation.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 24 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Charles County (1969 Edition, being Article 9 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Charles County," subtitle "Circuit Court," to follow immediately after Section 23 thereof, be and it is hereby repealed; and that new Section 24 of said Code, title and subtitle be and it is hereby added, to stand in the place of the section repealed and to read as follows:

[24. Same; Robert G. MacCartee.

Robert G. MacCartee is hereby authorized to retire from his position as Court Reporter in the Counties of the Seventh Judicial Circuit of Maryland upon reaching the age of seventy years, and the Judges of the Seventh Judicial Circuit of Maryland are hereby authorized and empowered by appropriate order to provide for the retirement of Robert G. MacCartee from his position as Court Reporter in said Circuit at any time after June 1, 1957.

In the event of such retirement, he shall be paid from the date thereof retirement compensation at the rate of \$2,400.00 per year, said compensation to be payable one half by the County Commissioners of Prince George's County, and the remainder to be paid equally by the County Commissioners of Calvert, Charles and St. Mary's Counties, respectively.

24.

The resident judge of the Circuit Court of Charles County may appoint a law clerk who shall receive an annual compensation, which shall be fixed by the County Commissioners after consultation with the resident judge, not in excess of seven thousand dollars (\$7,000.00). This compensation shall be provided for in the annual levy and paid as other expenses and salaries are paid for the conduct of business of the Circuit Court.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety and having been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 1, 1970

CHAPTER 33

(House Bill 26)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 1A-1(a) of Article 33 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1967 Replace-